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to nursing homes to be licensed hereunder as may be designed to accomplish the purposes of this act. The state department of health may, in the name of the state, maintain an action for injunction or other process against any person, persons, or governmental unit to restrain or prevent the establishment, conduct, or operation of a nursing home without a license.

SEC. 6. Upon receipt of application and license fee, the state department of health shall issue a license if it finds the applicant complies with the provisions of this act and regulations promulgated hereunder. If at any time, the department has cause to believe such applicant or licensee has not complied with rules, regulations, or standards established, the department shall notify such applicant or licensee of such non-compliance. If, after thirty days, said applicant or licensee has not removed the cause of non-compliance, or furnished satisfactory evidence that such cause will be promptly removed, the state department of health shall deny or revoke the license of such applicant or licensee. Licenses may be renewed annually by payment of license fee and furnishing such reports as the department of health shall require.

SEC. 7. Any person or persons establishing, maintaining, or conducting a nursing home without a license shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be liable to a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars or more than one hundred dollars for the first offense and not more than fifty dollars for each subsequent offense, and each day of a continuing violation after conviction shall be considered a separate offense.

Approved April 17, 1947.

CHAPTER 93

LOCAL BOARDS OF HEALTH

H. F. 262

AN ACT to amend sections one hundred thirty-seven point one (137.1), one hundred thirty-seven point two (137.2), one hundred thirty-seven point three (137.3), one hundred thirty-seven point eight (137.8), one hundred thirty-nine point twenty (139.20), one hundred forty point thirty-four (140.34), and three hundred fifty-nine point seventeen (359.17) and chapter one hundred thirty-eight (138), code 1946, relating to local boards of health and to the preservation of the civil service and pension rights of certain employees.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section one hundred thirty-seven point one (137.1), Code 1946, is amended by repealing subsection two (2) and enacting in lieu thereof the following:

"2. In counties, of the chairman of the board of supervisors, the county auditor, and the county superintendent of schools, having jurisdiction outside the territorial limits of cities and towns; provided, however, the township trustees in any township may organize as a local board of health for such township."

- SEC. 2. Section one hundred thirty-seven point two (137.2), Code 1946, is amended by inserting after the word "In" in line seven (7) the following: "counties the members of the board of health shall elect one of their number as chairman and in".
- SEC. 3. Section one hundred thirty-seven point three (137.3), Code 1946, is amended by inserting after the word "clerk" in line two (2) the words "or the county auditor".
- SEC. 4. Section one hundred thirty-seven point eight (137.8), Code 1946, is amended by inserting before the word "or" in line four 3 (4) the word "county".
- SEC. 5. Section one hundred thirty-nine point twenty (139.20), Code 1946, is amended by inserting before the word "mayor" in line four (4) the following: "county auditor,".
- SEC. 6. Section one hundred forty point thirty-four (140.34), Code 1946, is amended by inserting before the word "city" in line two (2) the following: "county,".
- Section three hundred fifty-nine point seventeen (359.17), Code 1946, is amended by striking from lines five (5) and six (6) the words "the local board of health".
- SEC. 8. Chapter one hundred thirty-eight (138), Code 1946, is amended by adding thereto a new section as follows: "In case of the adoption of a county health unit plan in any county having a population of one hundred seventy-five thousand (175,000) or more, the civil service status and pension rights of any then existing employee of any then existing departments of health in such county shall be maintained and protected."
- SEC. 9. Section 138.1, Code 1946, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof:
- "The County Board of Supervisors of any county may, by mutual agreement with boards of health of cities, towns, and townships of their county, adopt the county health unit plan."

Approved April 29, 1947.

CHAPTER 94

VITAL STATISTICS RECORDS

S. F. 16

- AN ACT to amend certain sections of the code relating to the United States bureau of the census.
- Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Section one hundred forty-one point four (141.4), Code 1946, is hereby amended by striking from lines three (3) and four (4) the words "Bureau of the Census" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "National Office of Vital Statistics".